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Commissioner Jane E Henney
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Dear Commissioner Henney,

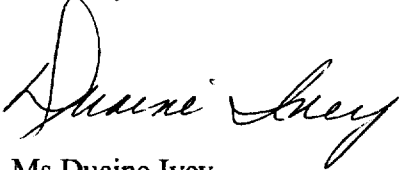
I am writing to urge you to ban the use of medically useful antibiotics in animal feed. Adding antibiotics to feed in order to promote growth can make bacteria resistant to those antibiotics. That can be life-threatening to humans. In my opinion, animals, when fed properly, can grow appropriately without these additives.

Additionally, I would also urge you to ban hormones fed to cows. You hear, via the media, that farmers are having a problem with milk prices - could some of this be solved by lessening the amount of milk produced? As you know, hormones are used to accelerate milk production.

Farming is a very important industry in this country, and it seems that less and less citizens are choosing to make a living as farmers. Cutting feed costs by eliminating unnecessary and harmful additives, could help make this profession economically attractive once again.

I support the petition filed by CSPI. regarding antibiotics in animal feed and would like you to consider banning the hormones also. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,



Ms Duaine Ivey

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